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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A mobile telephone comprising:
a telephone body comprising a button portion; and
an interchangeable button cover ~~that can interface which is configured to allow multiple different types of button covers to~~ detachably couple with the body.
2. (Currently Amended) The mobile telephone of claim 1, ~~wherein the interchangeable further comprising a button cover which comprises a structure for exposing covering the button portion which can be selectively changed between, wherein the button cover is one of~~ a bar type cover, a flip type cover or a sliding lid type cover.
3. (Currently Amended) The mobile telephone of claim [[1]] 2, wherein the interchangeable button cover comprises a bar ~~unit~~ type cover comprising:
a frame detachably mounted on the button cover interface of the telephone body so as to enclose the button portion; and

keypads provided on one side of the frame and which cover and are interlocked with key buttons of the button portion.

4. (Currently Amended) The mobile telephone of claim [[1]] 2, wherein the interchangeable button cover comprises a flip unit type cover comprising:

a frame detachably mounted [[to]] on the button cover interface of the telephone body; and

a flip cover hingedly connected to the frame for selectively covering and exposing the button portion by means of a pivoting operation.

5. (Currently Amended) The mobile telephone of claim [[1]] 2, wherein the interchangeable button cover comprises a sliding unit type cover comprising:

a frame detachably mounted [[to]] on the button cover interface of the telephone body; and

a sliding lid connected to the frame and configured to allow the sliding lid to slide for exposing the button portion.

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6. (Currently Amended) An interchangeable button cover for a mobile telephone body, comprising:

a button cover configured to cover substantially only a plurality of buttons on a mobile telephone body; and

an attachment device disposed on said button cover and configured to removably attach said cover to a mobile telephone body.

7. (Currently Amended) The interchangeable button cover of claim 6, wherein said button cover comprises:

a frame configured for mounting on a mobile telephone body; and
a plurality of keypads disposed on one side of said frame, wherein each keypad of said plurality of keypads ~~communicates~~ is configured to cover and interface with a respective key button of a mobile telephone body.

8. (Currently Amended) The interchangeable button cover of claim [[6]] 7, wherein said plurality of keypads comprise elastic material.

9. (Currently Amended) The interchangeable button cover of claim 6, wherein said button cover comprises:

a frame configured for mounting on a mobile telephone body; and
a flip type member hingedly connected to said frame, wherein said flip type member is configured to pivot on said hinged connection to cover or expose a plurality of key buttons of a mobile telephone body.

10. (Currently Amended) The interchangeable button cover of claim 6, wherein said button cover comprises:

a frame configured for mounting on a mobile telephone body; and
a sliding member slidingly attached to said frame, wherein said sliding member is configured to slide on said frame to cover or expose a plurality of key buttons of a mobile telephone body.

11. (Currently Amended) The interchangeable button cover of claim 6, wherein said attachment device comprises a plurality of projections configured to mate with a corresponding plurality of grooves provided on a mobile telephone body.

12. (Currently Amended) A mobile telephone, comprising:

a telephone body;
a plurality of grooves disposed in said telephone body;

an interchangeable button cover configured to cover substantially only a plurality of key buttons on said telephone body[[;]] and comprising an attachment device disposed on said button cover and configured to removably engage said plurality of said grooves.

13. (Currently Amended) The mobile telephone of claim 12, wherein said interchangeable button cover further comprises:

a frame configured for mounting on said telephone body; and
a plurality of keypads disposed on one side of said frame, wherein each keypad of said plurality of keypads ~~communicates~~ is configured to cover and interface with a respective key button of said telephone body.

14. (Currently Amended) The mobile telephone of claim 12, wherein said interchangeable button cover further comprises:

a frame configured for mounting on said telephone body; and
a flip type member hingedly connected to said frame, wherein said flip type member can pivot on said hinged connection to cover or expose a plurality of key buttons of said telephone body.

15. (Currently Amended) The mobile telephone of claim 12, wherein said interchangeable button cover further comprises:

a frame configured for mounting on said telephone body; and
a sliding member slidingly attached to said frame, wherein said sliding member is configured to slide on said frame to cover or expose a plurality of key buttons of said telephone body.

16. (Currently Amended) The interchangeable button cover of claim 12, wherein said plurality of grooves are substantially straight.

17. (Currently Amended) The interchangeable button cover of claim 12, wherein said plurality of grooves comprise fixing recesses, and said attachment device comprise catching projections configured to removably engage said fixing recesses.

18. (New) The mobile telephone of claim 1, wherein the interchangeable button cover interface is configured to allow button covers that only cover the button portion to be detachably coupled to the body.